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In re Application of:

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- Transmittal Letter; (1)
- Request for Correction of Information Disclosure (2) Statement submitted July 31, 2003;
- Corrected Information Disclosure Statement; (3)
- (4) Copy of Information Disclosure Statement with correction marked in red;
- (5) Copy of stamped filing receipt dated July 31, 2003,

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# REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT SUBMITTED JULY 31, 2003

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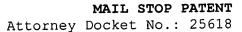
Prior to examining on the merits the Information Disclosure Statment submitted July 31, 2003, applicant respectfully requests that a correction be made on page 2, item g of the statement as follows:

Copies of the documents are attached herewith with a [ X ] g. completed Form PTO-1449 for references not cited in prior applications.

AND

[ X ] Copies of the documents are not attached as allowed under CFR 1.98(d)(1)(2). The earlier application is identified as:

09/248,070 filed Feb. 11, 1999, now patent 6,212,505 6,212,961





#### REMARKS

The above correction has been made to correct a typographical error in the Information Disclosure Statement. No new matter has been added. A copy of the original statement with the correction marked in red is attached as well as the stamped filing receipt indicating the IDS was filed July 31, 2003.

A clean copy of the Corrected Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith to be used with the Form PTO-1449 and references submitted on July 31, 2003.

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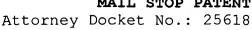
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# CORRECTED INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98. Please note the following particulars:

[NOTE: One only of items a, b, c, and d must be checked.]

- The enclosed statement is being filed within three months of [X] the filing date of a national application, or within three months of the date of entry into the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, whichever event occurs last.
- The enclosed statement is being filed after a first action on [ ] b. the merits but before the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113, or a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311.

The enclosed statement is accompanied by [check one]:

- i. a certification in part (e) below as specified in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), or
- ii. a check in the amount required by 37 C.F.R. [ ] §1.17(p).
- The enclosed statement is being filed after the mailing date of a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113, or a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, but before payment of the issue fee.
  - [ ] Certification report(e) below; and
  - [ ] a check in the amount as required by§1.17(p).
- The enclosed statement is being filed pursuant to ] d. 37 C.F.R. §1.97(i), for placement in the file.
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[ ] I hereby certify that each item of information contained in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement,

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[ ] I hereby certify that no item of information in the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement herewith was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, or, to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

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- [ ] Appropriate certification is attached.
- [ X ] f. If no check is enclosed and a fee is due in connection with this communication or if the check enclosed is insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection with this communication to Deposit Account No. 14-0112.
- [ X ] g. Copies of the documents are attached herewith with a completed Form PTO-1449 for references not cited in prior applications. AND
- [X] Copies of the documents are not attached as allowed under CFR 1.98(d)(1)(2). The earlier application is identified as: 09/248,070 filed Feb. 11, 1999, now patent 6,212,961

The Examiner is respectfully requested to cite the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 in the next Office Action. In so doing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initial in the space adjacent to the listing of each document on the Form PTO-1449, and return a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication to Applicants, to confirm that these documents have been considered by the Examiner and made of record in this application.

If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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DOCUMENTS BEING FILED:

# THE PTO STAMP HEREON ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF:

Continuation Patent Application consisting of:

(1) Transmittal Letter;

- (2) Filing Form For Continuation U.S. Patent Application;
- (3) 41 page Continuation Application including:
  - 21 Pages of Textual Specification,
    - 3 Pages of 15 Claims,
    - 1 Page of the Abstract,
  - 16 sheets of drawings;
- (4) Unexecuted Inventor's Declaration/Power of Attorney;
- (5) Information Disclosure Statment with 2 references;
  - (6) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

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